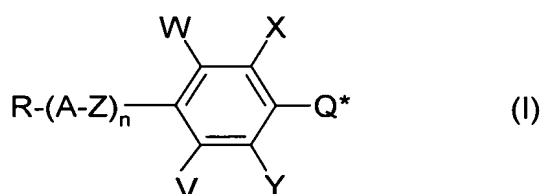


This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) Chiral dopant having a laterally alkylated phenyl unit of the general formula I:



in which:

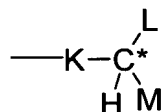
- Q*** is a unit having an asymmetric carbon atom,
- R** is -H, an alkyl or alkenyl radical having from 1 to 12 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or at least monosubstituted by halogen, and in which one or more non-adjacent -CH₂- groups may be replaced by -O- or -S- and/or -C≡C-, as well as F or Cl,
- A,** independently of one another, are a single bond, 1,4-phenylene, in which, in addition, one or more H atoms may be replaced by F, 1,4-cyclohexylene, in which, in addition, one or two CH₂ groups may be replaced by -O-, or 1,4-bicyclo[2.2.2]octanyl,
- Z,** independently of one another, are a single bond, -CH₂-CH₂-, -O-CH₂-, -CH₂-O-, -CF₂-O-, -O-CF₂-, -CF₂-CF₂- or -C≡C-,
- V and W,** independently of one another, are linear or branched alkyl or alkoxy having from 1 to 12 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or monosubstituted or polysubstituted by halogen, or H, F or Cl,
- X and Y,** independently of one another, are linear or branched alkyl or alkoxy having o or p carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or monosubstituted or polysubstituted by halogen, where o and p, independently of one

another, are identical or different and are integers in the range from 1 to 12, H, F or Cl, where in the case of H, F and Cl, o or p = 0, or trimethylsilyl, and

n is from 1 to 3,

with the proviso that X and/or Y is/are either an unsubstituted or halogen-substituted alkyl or alkoxy radical having o or p carbon atoms, where the sum o + p is ≥ 2 , or a trimethylsilyl radical.

2. (Original) Chiral dopant according to Claim 1, characterised in that unit Q* having an asymmetric carbon atom has the following structure

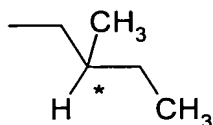


in which

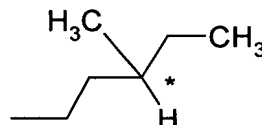
K is -CH₂-, -O-, -CH₂CH₂-, -OCH₂-, -CH₂O-, -OCF₂-, -CF₂O-, -C≡C-, -CH=CH- or a single bond, and

L and M are alkyl, cycloalkyl, O-alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl or aryl, where L must be different from M.

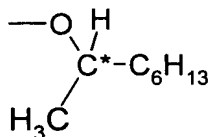
3. (Currently Amended) Chiral dopant according to Claim 1 or 2, characterised in that unit Q* having an asymmetric carbon atom has one of the following structures:



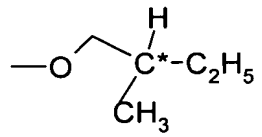
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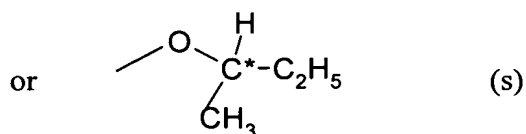
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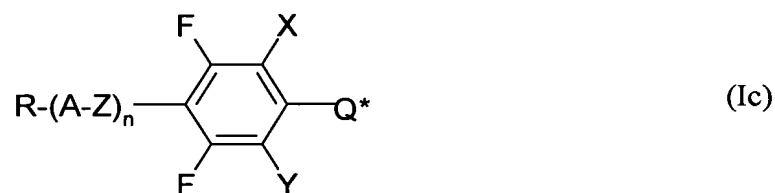
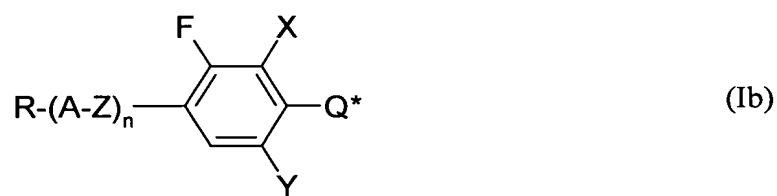
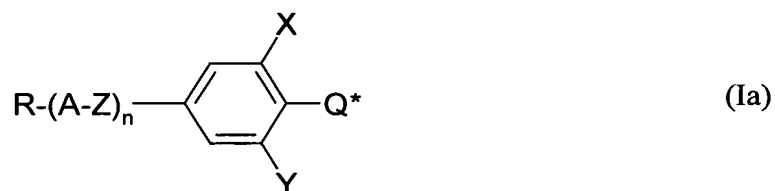
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(r)



4. (Currently Amended) Chiral dopant according to ~~at least one of the preceding claims~~ Claim 1, characterised in that it has one of the following basic structures:



5. (Currently Amended) Use of at least one chiral dopant according to ~~at least one of the preceding claims~~ Claim 1 in liquid-crystalline mixtures.
6. (Currently Amended) Liquid-crystalline mixture comprising at least one chiral dopant according to ~~at least one of Claims 1 to 4~~ Claim 1.
7. (Original) Electro-optical display element containing a liquid-crystalline mixture according to Claim 6.